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Honorable Kay Granger Chair Committee on Appropriations H-305, the Capitol Washington, DC 20515

Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for "Analytical Equipment for Measurement Science" in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the University of St. Thomas, located at 2115 Summit Ave, St Paul, MN 55105. The funding would be used for the purchase of analytic equipment. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the research conducted will help answer complex ecological and water-related issues that Minnesota faces.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 272 of title 15, United States Code.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Betty McCollum Member of Congress